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SUBJECT: PROPOSED SOVIET FOOD AND AGRICULTURE MISSION TO PHILIPPINES

1. DURING TELEVISED OCT 27 CABINET MEETING, AGRICULTURE SECRETARY TANCO SOLICITED PRESIDENT MARCOS VIEWS ON SOVIET PROPOSAL TO SEND FOOD AND AGRICULTURE MISSION TO PHILIPPINES HEADED BY MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE. TANCO SAID PROPOSAL HAD BEEN ADVANCED BY AMBASSADOR VITALI BOYAROV (WHO WAS MEMBER OF AEROFLOT-TOURISM DELEGATION WHICH VISITED PHILIPPINES IN AUGUST).

2. ACCORDING TANCO, SOVIETS HAD INDICATED THAT MISSION MIGHT DISCUSS JOINT VENTURES IN FISHING. INTERRUPTING, MARCOS SCOLDED TANCO FOR NOT CONSULTING IMMEDIATELY ON THIS "VERY SENSITIVE" MATTER WITH DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE. MARCOS SAID SOVIETS HAD ALREADY BEEN INFORMED IN PREVIOUS CONFERENCES THAT JOINT VENTURES IN FISHING NOT POSSIBLE SINCE PHILIPPINE FISHING IS "COMPLETELY NATIONALIZED."

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AT THIS POINT, TANCO MANAGED TO INTERJECT THAT HE HAD

ALREADY TOLD SOVIETS THAT FISHING VENTURE NOT POSSIBLE.  
HE POINTED OUT THAT AGRICULTURE MISSION MIGHT HAVE  
OTHER TYPES OF COOPERATION IN MIND. MARCOS ENDED  
DISCUSSION BY STATING THAT MATTER SHOULD BE STUDIED  
FURTHER WITH AN EYE TO DETERMINING WHAT PHILIPPINES MIGHT  
GAIN FROM THE MISSION.

3. COMMENT: EXCHANGE WAS NOTABLE MAINLY AS AN UNUSUAL  
PUBLIC DISPLAY OF MARCOS' INTENSE SUSPICIONS VIS-A-VIS  
SOVIETS. PHILIPPINES DOES, IN FACT, HAVE JOINT FISHING  
VENTURES WITH JAPAN.  
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